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## OUR LUMBER PRODUCTION.

Some figures recently issued by the department of agriculture show the great importance of our woods and forests to the industries of the United States. The total annual product of all kinds of material is about 25,000,000 cubic feet, equal to the solid bulk of a mile square on the base and a little more than one-sixth of a mile high. It is equal to the annual increase of 50,000,000 acres of forest in fair condition. The value is about \$1,000,000,000, being ten times that of the entire gold and silver output, three times the product of all the coal and minerals and nearly three times the farm value of the wheat crop. It exceeds the gross income of all the railroads and other transportation companies. It would suffice to pay the indebtedness of all the states except New York and Pennsylvania, including that of all counties, townships, school districts and cities within those states (in 1880), and would more than wipe out the remaining public debt of the United States.

Ten years ago manufacturers of all kinds held the first place in importance as measured by dollars, agricultural second and forest products ranked third. It is thought that since then the lumber industry has enlarged to such an extent that the forest production now occupies the second place, if not the first. The capital employed in milling the product, exclusive of harvesting, is roughly estimated at \$650,000,000, and more than 300,000 people are employed in the direct manufacture of forest and sawmill products alone, without counting the employment afforded by its transportation to points of consumption and manufacture there.

## FOREIGN IMMIGRATION CIRCULAR.

The following is a list of persons not allowed to land in the United States under the provisions of the immigration law as passed by the last congress, and sent out in circular form by Secretary Foster of the treasury department:

"The attention of corporations and others engaged in bringing alien immigrants into the United States is invited to the accompanying copy of the general laws of congress designed to regulate immigration. It will be observed that the law, as amended March 3, 1891, prohibits the landing in the United States of the following classes of aliens: 'Idiot, insane persons, paupers or persons likely to become a public charge, persons suffering from a loathsome or a dangerous contagious disease, persons who have been convicted of a felony or other infamous crime or misdemeanor involving moral turpitude not including persons convicted of political offenses only; polygamists, persons coming under contract to labor.' All corporations and others bringing into the United States aliens falling within any of the prohibited classes are required by law, under heavy penalties, to return them at their own cost, to the ports or countries where they came, and this requirement holds good for one year after any such prohibited alien may have entered the United States."

The circular further states: "The evident disposition of many steamship lines, under the pressure of sharp competition, to gather up in Europe and bring to the United States all who, with or without the aid of others, can pay the now trifling cost of a steerage passage—regardless of their character or condition, and regardless of our laws—compels on the part of this government a closer scrutiny, and the adoption of more comprehensive measures than have hitherto seemed necessary."

It is thoroughly in earnest regarding an open river she will subscribe the \$250,000 necessary to build the portage road from The Dalles to the mouth of the Deschutes. This will give her the wheat trade of the Inland Empire, and without a cheap means of transportation by river boats, the cities on the Sound will secure the bulk of the trade. There is no denying the fact that Puget Sound is one of the best harbors on the Pacific coast, and with the generous policy pursued by the Northern Pacific, has many advantages over the mouth of the Columbia. It is true the jetty has improved navigation wonderfully, and it is now perfectly safe to enter at all stages of the tide. But to make the Columbia the highway of commerce for the interior northwest, and to build up the big city on that river, portage railroads must be constructed on the Oregon side, and the most important of these is the one from The Dalles to dead water above.

That Kaubas judge who refuses to hold court if soldiers are to be present for the alleged protection of a prisoner, is made out of the right stuff. Soldiers and courts are two things which should always be kept as wide apart as possible.

## OUR TAXABLE PROPERTY.

From the assessment roll for 1891, as made up by three county assessors, we produce these figures, showing the taxable property of Columbia county, itemized with the exemption for indebtedness deducted:

	NO.	VALUE.
Acres of land.....	26,501.	\$ 2,124,400
City lots.....	40,327	40,327
Improvements.....	40,327	40,327
Machinery and implements.....	261,700	261,700
Money, notes, etc.....	121,000	121,000
Goods, wares, etc.....	53,720	53,720
Horses.....	1,132	46,960
Cattle.....	6,002	105,030
Sheep, etc.....	1,134	1,864
Swine.....	1,135	5,130
Gross value property.....		\$1,512,467
Indebtedness.....		109,450
Exemption.....		122,088
Total taxable property.....		\$1,380,929

It will be readily seen by the above that the exemption for indebtedness, \$386,496, is a little over one-fourth the taxable property of the county, and the exemption, \$122,088, added to the indebtedness makes \$508,584, or over one-third of the entire wealth, leaving out of a total taxable property of \$1,512,467, only \$1,003,883 that revenues are derived from for the maintenance of the county government. This deplorable state of affairs is one that can be remedied only in one way, and that is through the legislature. Repeal the exemption for indebtedness law and Columbia county would this year receive one-third more taxes than under the present condition of things, thereby perhaps, reducing the tax levy from about 25 to 16 mills, and the wealth of the county would be taxed equally. At present the greater portion of the county revenue comes from the middle classes, who are neither poor nor rich, but in fair moderate circumstances. This class of people are mostly farmers who give in their property at a fair valuation and who do not claim an indebtedness unless such indebtedness really exists. There will be no remedy for this until the exemption for indebtedness clause is stricken from our statutes books.

The latest reports from Chili are to the effect that a fierce battle has been fought and that the government forces had been driven from their position with great loss. At this great distance it is very hard to obtain accurate reports concerning the conflict in Chili, but if all the reports of President Balmaceda's cruelty and oppression be true it is to be hoped that the insurgents may overthrow the Balmacedan government.

## OREGON WEATHER BUREAU.

The following is the report for the week ending, Saturday, August 22, 1891:

**WESTERN OREGON.**  
Weather—Rain fell on the night of the 17th, and on the 18th throughout this section, in amount from .10 to .20 of an inch, except in Josephine and Jackson counties, where only a few drops fell. The temperature was below the average in the fore part of the week, but rose rapidly toward the close of the week, when it was from 90 to 100 degrees except along the coast.  
Crops—The rain did no damage to the grain, but delayed harvesting and threshing for one day. There was some slight benefit in the rain to corn and vegetables. Winter wheat is all cut and most of it threshed. Spring grain is being cut. Some small exists in Douglas and Jackson counties. Grain is yielding better than was expected in every county. Fifty-six bushels per acre from a sixteen-acre field is reported from Yamhill county. In Polk county the wheat generally averaged over thirty bushels per acre; most counties have an average yield of from twenty-five to thirty-five bushels per acre. The woolly aphid is doing damage to orchards in Yamhill county. The onion crop was injured by lice in Washington county, but as the acreage was increased the total crop will be above the average. Hop growers now expect to gather a very fair average crop. In Douglas, Jackson and Curry counties the first crop of figs are over and the second crop are setting. The early peaches are about over and the second crop will be ripe next week. Several carloads a day are being shipped from Jackson county. Josephine county is shipping three carloads a day of watermelons. Fruit drying is in progress.

**EASTERN OREGON.**  
Weather—Rain fell in most counties on the 19th and 20th, varying from a sprinkle to .14 of an inch. The temperature has been above the average and rose towards the close of the week, until today it ranged from 90 to 106 degrees.  
Crops—There was no damage done by the rain; though the harvesting operations were delayed for about a half a day in various localities. Winter wheat is generally all threshed and considerable of the spring sown grain has also been threshed, except east and south of the Blue mountains. All reports indicate the yield to be above the expectations of the farmers, except parts of Wasco county, where the hot weather in July did some damage. In some parts of Union county rust is observable. In this county harvesting operations are just beginning. In Sherman, Morrow and Umatilla counties yields of from thirty to forty bushels per acre are commonly reported. Fruit and melons are plentiful and large shipments are daily made. Wheat prices have an upward tendency, and except contracted wheat, few farmers are selling.  
B. S. PAGUE, Observer.

## WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

Washington, Aug. 21, 1891.  
Owing to a number of important public matters to which he desires to give his personal attention, the president will return to Washington early in September instead of waiting until October, as has been the general expectation. Not the least of these important matters is a reciprocity treaty with Venezuela, which is ready for his acceptance. This treaty is a most agreeable surprise to the public as it was supposed that the rejection of the first treaty by the congress of Venezuela had indefinitely postponed reciprocity with that country, but it seems that the congress acted upon a misunderstanding of the probable effects of such an agreement upon the revenues of Venezuela, which are almost all raised by import duties, but seeing its error before adjournment it authorized the president of Venezuela to negotiate and put into effect a similar agreement, and practically the same treaty which was rejected by the congress of that country now only awaits the sanction and proclamation of President Harrison to go into effect.

This news will not be relished by the democrats, because many of them have talked too much about the failure of reciprocity, having taken the rejection of the first treaty by the Venezuela congress to mean that our European rivals had succeeded in putting a brake on the reciprocity wheel. Reciprocity was never more popular than it is now, and as its benefits are practically demonstrated it will grow more popular. There are other treaties well under way, but these cannot be spoken of by name without a violation of confidence. Suffice it to say that this administration is thoroughly alive to the importance of this subject, and that it proposes to have reciprocity with every country, the products of which are necessary to us and our prosperity.

Another subject of importance which will probably be taken up by the president soon after his return, is the refusal of the cattle men to obey the orders which have been issued to them by the interior department directing them to vacate the Cherokee outlet. District Attorney Speed, of Oklahoma, who was in town a week ago, reported that not a single cattle man had either moved or taken any steps looking to an early removal. An official of the interior department told me today that he hadn't the slightest doubt that the president would order force to be used, if necessary, to drive these cattle men from the outlet.

Washington has been quite full of people this week. First, in importance is the annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science which met here on Wednesday and will remain in session for some days to come; next was a reunion of the old time telegraphers and the annual meeting of the military telegraphers, which occupied Wednesday and Thursday, and which was brought to a close last night with a meeting which was connected with the United States Postmaster-General Wainwright came over from his summer residence especially to address this meeting and he made a most interesting speech, and, judging from the constant and continued applause, he pleased the veteran key punchers very much. In addition to these bodies the annual regatta of the National Association of Amateur Oars men was held on the Potomac river Tuesday and Wednesday. Take it all in all we had quite a lively week of it.

Mr. John C. Houck, of Tennessee, who has been nominated to succeed his father, the late L. C. Houck, in congress, is in town. He isn't losing any sleep for fear of not being elected as the district gave his father last November a majority of more than 13,000. That is one of the few republican districts in the South that the democrats have been unable to tamper with, because the most of its voters are white and would resent any ballot box tampering.

Secretary Foster has taken a lease on the residence which was for six years occupied by Senator Payne, and in which the late Justice Woods, to whose estate it belongs, resided for many years, and will bring his family to Washington in the fall. The house is delightfully situated, being only a few squares from the White House.

The officials of the treasury department are calculating that all of the immense amount of gold which has been shipped from this country to Europe during the past year or so will soon be coming back to purchase our grain. All of our sales to France and Russia are always paid for in gold, but England usually pays us in American securities of some kind, of which she has many millions.

**DEEDS RECORDED.**  
G. H. Bynum and wife to S. F. Bynum, lots 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, blk 24, Mellinger's first addition to Vernonia; \$300.

G. H. Bynum and wife to Ella J. Clinton and Marion Cole, blk 1 first addition to Vernonia; \$300.

H. W. Brown and wife to E. J. Menke, s e 1/4 s w 1/4, sec 7, tp 7 n, r 4 west; \$500.

United States to John Maynard, s e 1/4 s w 1/4, lots 5, 6, 7, 8, sec 17, tp 6 n, r 5 west; homestead.

United States to Andrew Anderson, n w 1/4, sec 8, tp 7 n, r 3 west; homestead.

P. D. Johnson to Nels Erickson, n 1/4 s e 1/4 and s w 1/4 of n e 1/4, sec 19, tp 6 n, r 5 west; \$1,500.

G. P. Goodale and wife to T. J. Thorp, lots 3 and 4, e 1/4 s w 1/4, sec 31, tp 4 n, r 5 west; \$3,000.

H. C. Clements to Edmund Hall, e 1/4, sec 7, tp 6 n, r 3 west; \$500.

B. W. Blood to Elmina C. Blood, lots 2 and 3, s w 1/4 of s w 1/4, sec 17, s e 1/4 of sec 18, and n w 1/4 of n w 1/4 of sec 20, tp 7 n, r 4 west.

United States to William Holsapple, n e 1/4 sec 20, tp 7 n, r 3 west; homestead.

United States to Joanna L. Maxwell, s w 1/4, sec 4, tp 5 n, r 2 west; timber land.

## SCHOOL FUNDS.

Apportionment of state school funds for 1891:

DIST.	CLERK.	AM T.
1 J. R. Watts.....		\$ 119 00
2 A. H. George.....		234 15
3 Edwin Merrill.....		48 63
4 R. P. Burns.....		50 50
5 Z. Bryant.....		220 50
6 F. D. Hendrick.....		50 00
7 Gus Heggle.....		134 71
8 Robt. McMath (joint).....		17 07
9 B. F. Vanvolkingberg.....		61 85
10 A. T. Creevy (joint).....		97 77
11 James Wallace.....		57 4
12 E. McVey.....		53 01
13 (Clerk to be appointed).....		57 4
14 W. J. Dietz.....		210 10
15 A. B. Lewis.....		88 3
16 E. S. Bryant.....		50 00
17 W. H. Hawkins.....		141 37
18 Sigel Wilkinson.....		33 15
19 G. F. Luldrigen.....		123 70
20 (forfeited).....		112 00
21 M. H. Royer.....		112 00
22 A. H. Howell.....		50 17
23 R. D. Cole.....		80 11
24 C. W. Mayer.....		114 80
25 Andrew Elliott.....		21 30
26 G. W. Barnes.....		143 00
27 N. Nichols.....		37 85
28 E. W. Keasey.....		61 85
29 John Schmidke.....		90 00
30 S. H. Tryon.....		50 00
31 H. A. Corliss.....		68 47
32 A. J. Orwig.....		108 25
33 Mrs. Sarah Messer.....		101 87
34 W. T. Messer.....		83 90
35 Peter Smith.....		33 15
36 Oscar Wallesen.....		72 00
37 F. Woodham.....		64 00
38 H. C. Brown.....		103 00
39 S. E. King.....		50 05
40 C. S. Emerson.....		103 87
41 W. A. Edgerton.....		37 50
42 C. V. Anderson.....		30 70
43 Jno. Maynard (joint).....		24 30
44 S. Rock.....		44 20
45 W. A. Young.....		53 01
46 W. C. Adams.....		53 07
47 Thos. Laveland.....		88 30
48 Olave Johnson (joint).....		4 41
49 W. B. Lonsignout (joint).....		33 15
50 (forfeited).....		33 15
Amount apportioned.....		\$3,916 54
Rate per capita.....		\$2 29 5

District clerks will please send in their receipts at once. J. G. WATTS, County School Superintendent, August 17, 1891.

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## NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Land Office at Oregon City, Oregon, Aug. 18, 1891. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the county clerk of Columbia county, at St. Helens, Oregon, on October 12, 1891, viz:

WILLIAM DOWD, Homestead entry No. 7210, for the n e 1/4 of sec. 2, tp 6 n, r 2 west. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of said land, viz: C. C. Fowler, A. Neer, L. T. Vanover, L. Bradley; all of Neer, Columbia county, Oregon.

J. T. APPERSON, Register, aug20/91

## NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Land Office at Oregon City, Or., Aug. 19, 1891. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the county clerk of Columbia county, at St. Helens, Oregon, on September 16, 1891, viz:

W. C. HENDERSON, Homestead entry No. 7210, for the n e 1/4 of sec. 22, tp 4 n, r 2 west. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of said land, viz: H. R. Lark, Calvin J. Royer, Julius Cheaman, Nicolas Maser; all of Seaside, Columbia county, Oregon.

J. T. APPERSON, Register, aug20/91

## NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

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FRANK PAUL REPACH, Homestead entry No. 6776, for the n w 1/4 of sec. 27, tp 6 n, r 2 w. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of said land, viz: A. Dotz, Fred Langenauer, Enos Jones and Homer Brown, all of Gresham, Columbia county, Oregon.

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